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SUBJECT: US/MEXICO FISHERIES CONSULTATIONS

REF: MEXICO 3657

1. US MEXICO FISHERIES AGREEMENT CALLS FOR CONSULTATIONS TO BE HELD IN APRIL OF EACH YEAR, AND IN RECENT INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS WITH GOM FISHERIES OFFICIALS IT WAS AGREED THAT USG AND GOM SHOULD MEET NEXT MONTH.

2. REGARDING LOCATION, AT THE PLEASURE OF THE GOM US SIDE CAN GO TO MEXICO OR TALKS CAN BE HELD IN U.S. IF TALKS HELD IN MEXICO CITY DEPT. SUGGESTS THAT DCM HEAD U.S. DELEGATION. IF TALKS HELD IN WASHINGTON, DEPT. CAN PROVIDE HEAD OF DELE-
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GATION. WHEREVER DISCUSSIONS ARE HELD, ON U.S. SIDE THERE WILL BE PARTICIPATION FROM DEPT. AND DEPT. COMMERCE, AND U.S. INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES WILL ALSO BE ON HAND. WITH RESPECT TO DATES, DEPT. SUGGESTS EITHER APRIL 19 AND 20 OR APRIL 26 AND 27. TWO DAYS SHOULD BE SUFFICIENT.

3. DEPT. PROPOSES FOLLOWING AGENDA FOR CONSULTATIONS:

(UNDERSCORE)PROPOSED AGENDA

1. TONNAGE OF FISH IN THE SNAPPER-GROUPER FISHERY TO BE MADE AVAILABLE TO U.S. FISHERMEN BEGINNING AUGUST 1, 1977.

2. BONDING REQUIREMENTS FOR U.S. VESSELS OPERATING INSIDE 12-MILES UNDER TERMS OF AGREEMENT.

3. POSSIBILITY OF MEXICAN FISHING INSIDE US 200 MILE ZONE.

4. PROBLEM OF ACCIDENTALLY KILLING PORPOISE WHILE FISHING FOR TUNA.

5. PAYMENT OF CREDENTIAL FEES BY CREW OF U.S. VESSELS FISHING FOR SHRIMP AND SNAPPER-GROUPER.

6. PROPER TONNAGES OF VESSELS AUTHORIZED TO FISH INSIDE 12 MILES.

7. POSSIBILITY OF MODIFYING PRESENT FISHING PERMIT FEES.

8. FISHING FOR RED CRAB BY U.S. VESSELS OPERATING INSIDE 12 MILES UNDER TERMS OF AGREEMENT.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

4. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO APPROACH GOM TO PROPOSE ABOVE UNCLASSIFIED

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AGENDA FOR CONSULTATIONS, NOTING CONSIDERATIONS PARA 2 ABOVE. EMBASSY APPROACH SHOULD BE MADE TO FOREIGN MINISTRY IN ADDITION TO FISHERIES OFFICIALS. DEPT. ASSUMES THAT GOM SIDE WILL BE LED BY SOMEONE FROM FOREIGN MINISTRY.

5. DEPT. HAS NO OBJECTION TO IDEA MENTIONED REFTTEL OF MEETING OF US AND MEXICAN FISHERY SCIENTISTS FOLLOWING CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN GOVERNMENTS TO DISCUSS

COOPERATIVE FISHERIES RESEARCH, INCLUDING POSSIBLE JOINT FISHERY RESEARCH PROJECTS.

6. NAMES OF U.S. PARTICIPANTS IN CONSULTATIONS WILL BE PROVIDED SEPTTEL ALONG WITH HOTEL REQUIREMENTS IF MEETING HELD IN MEXICO CITY. DEPT. WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING CURRENT DOLLAR RATE OF SINGLE ROOM AT HOTEL MARIA ISABELL.

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